

# Cache County

## FACTS



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## Population

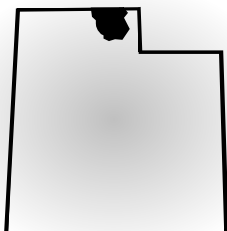
As of July 1st	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Total Population</b>	98,176	100,182	103,564	105,671	109,022
<b>% Change of the Prior Year</b>	2.8%	2.0%	3.4%	2.0%	3.2%

Source: Utah Population Estimates Committee. <http://governor.utah.gov/dea/datatables.html>

## City Populations

As of July 1st	2007
<b>Logan</b>	47,965
<b>North Logan</b>	9,181
<b>Smithfield</b>	8,149
<b>Hyrum</b>	7,976
<b>Providence</b>	7,551
<b>Nibley</b>	6,345
<b>Hyde Park</b>	4,086
<b>Wellsville</b>	3,738
<b>Richmond</b>	3,221
<b>Lewiston</b>	2,337
<b>Millville</b>	2,014
<b>River Heights</b>	1,085
<b>Remainder</b>	4,654

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.  
<http://www.census.gov/popest/cities>



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## Labor Force

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Labor Force</b>	54,010	56,145	56,832	58,027	60,083
<b>Employed</b>	51,898	54,100	54,978	56,670	58,865
<b>Unemployed</b>	2,112	2,045	1,854	1,357	1,218
<b>Rate</b>	3.9%	3.6%	3.3%	2.3%	2.0%
<b>Nonfarm Jobs</b>	44,236	45,873	46,886	48,112	49,942
<b>%Chng Prior Year</b>	2.9%	3.7%	2.2%	2.6%	3.8%
<b>Mining</b>	11	9	9	9	9
<b>Construction</b>	2,202	2,522	2,637	2,809	3,027
<b>Manufacturing</b>	8,161	8,357	8,273	10,176	10,730
<b>Trade/Trans/Utilities</b>	6,481	6,650	6,947	7,229	7,528
<b>Information</b>	629	649	670	919	1,103
<b>Financial Activities</b>	1,071	1,217	1,741	1,562	1,478
<b>Profess/Business Svcs</b>	7,045	7,077	6,696	4,826	5,045
<b>Ed/Health/Social Svcs</b>	3,906	4,169	4,447	4,765	4,957
<b>Leisure/Hospitality</b>	3,213	3,427	3,384	3,545	3,566
<b>Other Services</b>	1,025	1,006	1,007	1,116	1,111
<b>Government</b>	10,488	10,789	11,075	11,156	11,381
<b>Total Establishments</b>	2,734	2,934	3,033	3,246	3,211
<b>Total Wages (\$Millions)</b>	1051.1	1125.3	1169.7	1248.0	1348.4

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, Workforce Information.  
<http://jobs.utah.gov/jsp/wi/utahmis/gotoLaborforce.do>  
<http://jobs.utah.gov/jsp/wi/utahmis/gotoIndustry.do>

Cache County historically has been driven by production, processing, and distribution of agricultural products. Because of this, It has a substantial dairy and meat products industry. Utah State University is an economic bulwork of the area, employing about 6,000. USU's research activity has spawned many companies that have added jobs. Job growth is still positive with gains in service producing sectors and manufacturing. Expanding population continues to generate construction activity. Job growth has been steady and Cache County's economy is healthy. p = preliminary

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Cache County's economy continues to be strong despite the general economic woes felt at the state and national level. The county is somewhat shielded from the downturn of the economy experienced by some of the other counties in the state. Population growth was about the same as the state average and job growth in 2007 was strong. The economic indicators for the county have been on the plus side through 2007 and into 2008.

## Population

Cache County's population passed the 100,000 mark in 2004 and has grown at a 2.0 percent to 3.4 percent pace through 2007. Population grew by 3,300 between 2006 and 2007. About 2,000 of that was natural increase and 1,300 persons were a product of migration.

Logan, the largest community in the county with 47,965 people, added 600 residents from 2006, as did North Logan. Smithfield was the third largest contributor of new population, adding 400 between 2006 and 2007.

## The Labor Market

The labor force was about 60,000 in 2007, up from the 58,000 figure in 2006. Of those 60,000 in the labor force, 58,900 were employed and the unemployment rate averaged 2.0 percent for 2007. As the economy tempers a bit unemployment has elevated slightly to the mid 2.5 range during the first half of 2008

New jobs were created at a 3.8 percent pace during 2007 increasing payrolls from 48,112 to 49,994. This growth has continued through the first quarter of 2008. New job creation accelerated from 2005 through 2007 with rates of 2.2 percent 2.6 percent and 3.8 percent for the 2005 to 2007 period.

## Industries

Government, because of Utah State University, is the largest major industry sector, accounting for some 23 percent of all jobs in the county. Manufacturing is second with about 21 percent and the trade, transportation, and utilities sector has a 15 percent share of all jobs. Construction and manufacturing were the two fastest growing industry sectors increasing at 8 percent and 5 percent paces respectively

The largest contributor of new jobs in 2007 was the manufacturing sector, adding some 550 new positions. Trade, transportation and utilities added some 300 employees to payrolls of the 3,200-plus establishments in the county.

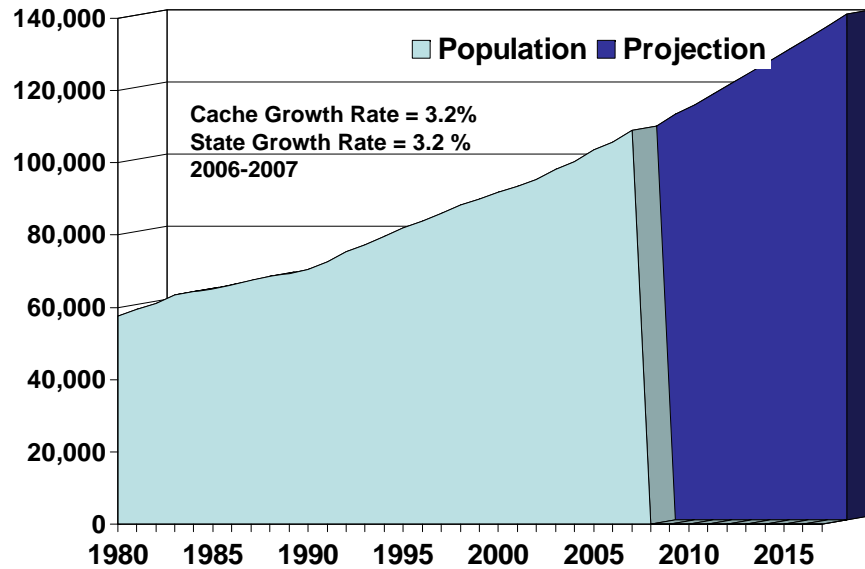
## Average Wages Increase

The county's average wage increase between 2005 and 2006 was 5.4 percent. With the economy slowing some of the wage pressure has eased. The wage change between 2006 and 2007 was 3.7 percent. The average monthly wage in 2006 was \$2,169 and the 2007 figure was \$2,250. Cache County wages are below the \$3,043 per month figure for the state.

## A Steady and Positive Economy, Just Not Red Hot, Construction Slows

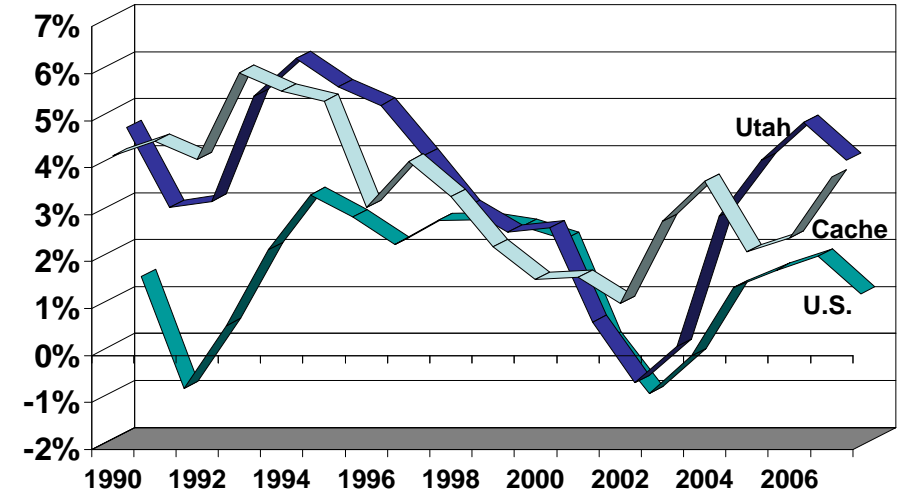
Cache County's economy is stable and strong. It remains to be seen to see how much of the national and state slowdown will affect the activity in Cache County. Certainly, the deterioration of the construction and finance sectors will dampen overall economic activity. Overall, the situation for the valley looks healthy.

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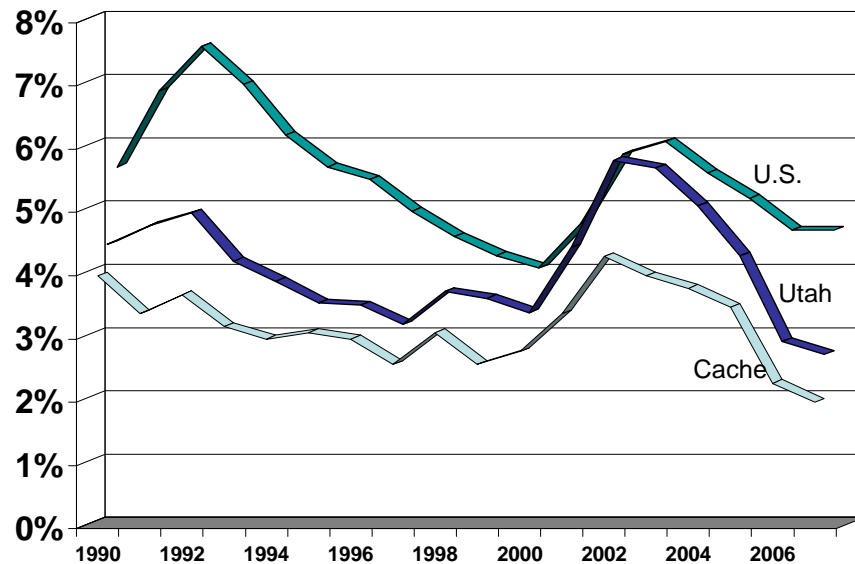
Source: Utah Population Estimates Committee; Utah Governor's Office of Planning and Budget.

## Cache County Nonfarm Job Growth



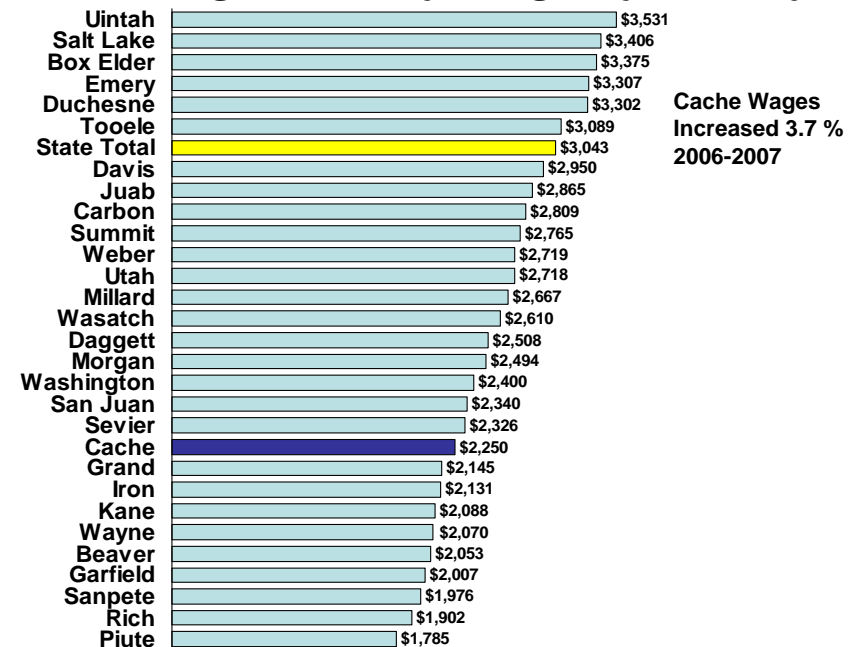
Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.

## Annual Unemployment Rates



Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.

## 2007 Average Monthly Wage by County



Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.

# Income and Wages

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Total Personal Income (\$Millions)</b>	1,968.8	2,173.2	2,286.1	2,407.2	2,548.2
<b>Per Capita Income</b>	20,379	21,220	21,819	22,624	23,373
<b>Avg Family Income from IRS Returns</b>	44,451	45,535	49,000	53,592	N/A
<b>Average Monthly Nonfarm Wage</b>	1,980	2,044	2,079	2,169	2,250

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Utah State Tax Commission, Utah Department of Workforce Services.

<http://www.bea.gov/bea/regional/reis> <http://tax.utah.gov/esu/income/index.html> <http://jobs.utah.gov/jsp/wi/utalmis/gotoIndustry.do>

# Sales and Building

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Gross Taxable Sales (\$000s)</b>	1,029,987	1,103,941	1,148,676	1,254,207	1,347,919
<b>Permit Authorized Construction (\$000)</b>	166,686	196,634	192,826	239,915	239,462
<b>New Residential Building Permits</b>	831	1,284	1,008	846	910
<b>Residential Building Permits Value (\$000)</b>	101,315	144,988	149,159	136,127	150,034

Source: Utah Tax Commission and University of Utah Bureau of Economic and Business Research.

<http://tax.utah.gov/esu/sales> <http://www.business.utah.edu/bebr>

# Census Facts

	2006
Under 18	32.3%
65 years and over	7.5%
Median Age	24.6
Persons per Household	3.1
Persons per Family	3.4
Female-Headed Families	6.3%
High School Graduates	91.4%
College Graduates	34.2%
Labor Force	
Female Participation	61.6%
Male Participation	80.5%
Self-Employed	5.9%
Commute Time (minutes)	15.2
Median Family Income	\$49,745
Median Earnings	
Male, full-time, year-rnd	\$37,431
Female, full-time, yr-rnd	\$25,570
Persons Below Poverty	13.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau  
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# Largest Employers

Utah State University  
Icon Main Plant  
Cache School District  
Logan Regional Hospital  
Swift Beef Company Inc  
Convergys  
Logan City  
Logan School District  
Qwest  
Schreiber Foods  
Wal-Mart  
Cache County  
Gossner Food Inc  
Hyclone Laboratories Inc  
Information Alliance Inc  
Lees Marketplace  
Macey's Inc  
Moore Business Forms  
Pepperidge Farm Inc

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# Other

Population by Race	2006
White	93.2%
Black	0.4%
American Indian	0.5%
Asian	2.7%
Pacific Islanders	0.0%
Other	3.2%
Hispanic/All Races	8.7%

Source: American Community Survey (ACS).

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# For More Information . . .



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